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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(2), only copies of the foreign patent documents and non-patent publications are enclosed.

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

EXAM. INIT.		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUB CLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	A1	US5077815A	12/31/91	Sasaki <i>et al.</i>			
	A2	US6064786A	05/16/00	Cunningham <i>et al.</i>			
	A3	US6304352B1	10/16/01	Coles <i>et al.</i>			

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OTHER ART, JOURNAL ARTICLES, ETC.

EXAM. INIT.	OTHER DOCUMENTS: (Including Author, Title, Date, Relevant Pages, Place of Publication)								
	C1	Wake, D. <i>et al.</i> : "Radiofrequency transmission of 32-QAM signals over multimode fibre for distributed antenna system applications" Electronic Letters, IEE STEVENAGE, GB, vol. 37, no. 17, August 16, 2001, pp. 1087-1089.							
	C2	International Search Report for International Patent Application Serial No. PCT/GB 2003/005428, published July 7, 2004 (3 pages).							
	C3	International Preliminary Examination Report (including Notification of Transmittal) for International Patent Application Serial No. PCT/GB 2003/005428, May 19, 2005 (9 pages)							
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